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For: SWITCH SYSTEM FOR PREVENTING MARINE PROPELLER INJURIES

Enclosed are:

- [X] 2 sheet(s) of informal drawings.
 - [X] An assignment of the invention to PropGuard, Inc.
 - [] A certified copy of a _____ application.
 - [] _____ Specimens (2 minimum)
 - [X] A Verified Statement to establish small entity status under CFR 1.9 and 37 CFR 1.27.
 - [X] Declaration/Statement and Power of Attorney.
 - [X] Specification and Claims.
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